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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: New CIA Building

1. At the Deputies' Meeting on Friday, 6 June 1958, we discussed the desire of the House Appropriations Committee to consider appropriating additional funds so that we might include all of our personnel in the Washington area in one building. I reminded the Director that at an earlier discussion during my absence a decision had been made that in planning the auxiliary building we would not consider moving the personnel in Project HTAUTOMAT from their present location in the Stuart Building. I then advised him that in reviewing the transcript of the Budget Hearings I was greatly concerned about this decision inasmuch as the Committee had made it quite clear that it wanted all CIA personnel in the Washington area in one building and, further, that it wanted to fix the personnel ceiling and have a definite understanding with the Director that this ceiling would not be exceeded.

2. After briefly discussing the first point, i.e., Project HTAUTOMAT, it was decided that HTAUTOMAT would be included in the plans for the auxiliary building. The question of whether the Technical Services Staff should also be included was raised and discussed and it was decided quite clearly that we would, in accordance with the wishes of the Committee, plan for inclusion in the building of all units in the Washington area without exception.

3. With regard to the second point, we discussed the possibility of proposing to make a five per cent reduction in our personnel strength. However, it was the consensus that we should not make such a commitment without knowing how we were going to do it, and that, in fact, a building for [redacted] --as we had originally planned---would allow us a very minimum of flexibility in order that we might provide staging areas when it was necessary to relocate units to provide space for special projects, etc. However, inasmuch as we have only [redacted] positions in our annual budget, it was deemed inappropriate to try to stand with [redacted] figure. Accordingly, it was agreed that we would plan on a building to house [redacted] people.

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